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In re Patent Application of:
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For: **METHODS FOR PREVENTING AND
TREATING MICROBIAL INFECTIONS BY
MODULATING TRANSCRIPTION FACTORS**

Examiner: K. C. Srivastava

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated November 29, 2005, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.